

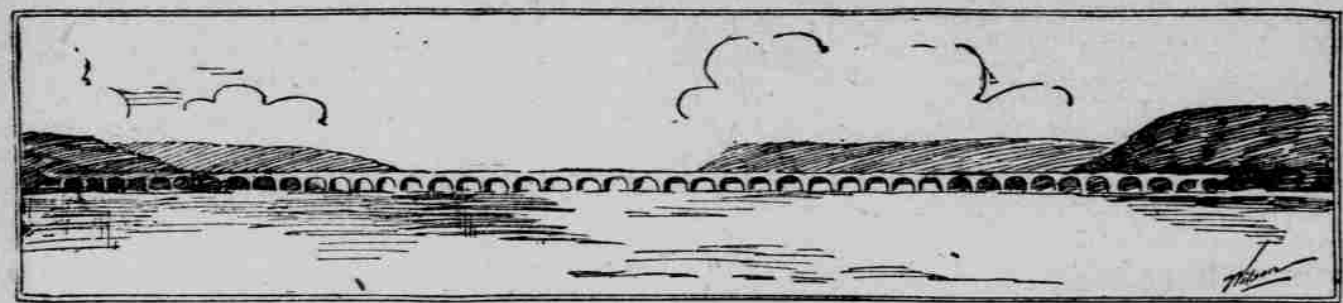
Largest Stone Bridge in the World

At Rockville, a few miles from the capital of Pennsylvania, can be seen a stone bridge that is five times longer than any other stone bridge in the world. It has just been erected by the Pennsylvania Railroad company, to replace an iron bridge of two tracks. This bridge contains four tracks, and permits two passenger and two freight trains to pass each other at the same time on the bridge.

This cannot be done on any other bridge in the world. One end of this bridge rests in Dauphin county and the other end in Perry county. The Susquehanna river flows under it all of the time, and in stormy weather the muddy waters of the Juniata often find their way there, also. There are in all forty-eight piers and forty-eight arches.

The bridge is fifty feet wide, and is made of a light-colored stone brought from Cambria county. Fifteen quarries were kept busy all of the time getting the stone cut and shipping it; there are 1,000,000 cubic yards of stone in the bridge, and it cost \$1,000,000. Three hundred men worked on it constantly from April 1, 1900, until the present time, when it is practically completed, with the exception of the laying of the tracks, which will not be done until next spring.

It is stated upon good authority that there are now 2,000 active Mormon proselyters scattered widely over the world.



GREAT POET'S MONUMENT

A monument in Carrara marble in commemoration of Heinrich Heine has been inaugurated in Montmartre cemetery, France, where his remains repose. The monument, which is due to the initiative of the late Empress Elizabeth of Austria, is the work of the Danish sculptor Hasselriis, and was recently exhibited in Vienna. The sculptor has represented Heine during the latter years of his life. It is Heine the Poet. The head is slightly inclined forward. The eyes are closed, as if in meditation. Immediately below the bust is a butterfly, the antique symbol of immortality. The pedestal bears a lyre entwined with a wreath of roses. On the reverse of the pedestal is a laurel wreath chiseled with the words, "Dem andenken Heine's, das freisinnige Wien" ("In commemoration of Heine from liberal-minded Vienna"). On the front of the base of the pedestal is the inscription:

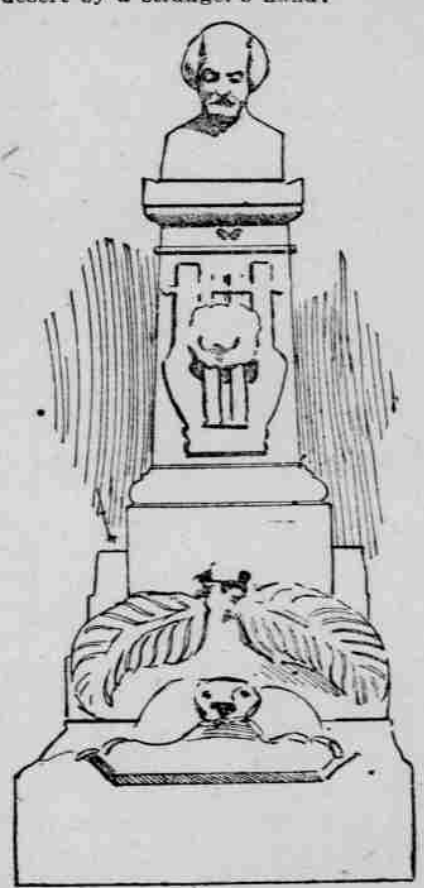
HEINRICH HEINE.
Frau Heine.

The following verses from a poem published by Heine in 1869 are inscribed on the tumular slab:

Wo wird einst des Wandermüden
Letzte Ruhestätte sein?
Unter Palmen in dem Süden?
Unter Linden an dem Rhein?

Werd' ich wo in einer Wüste
Eingescharrt von fremder Hand?
Oder ruh' ich an der Küste
Eines Meeres in dem Sand?

Immerhin! Mich wird umgeben
Gotteshimmel, dort wie hier,
Und als Todtenlampen schweben
Nachts die Sterne über mir.



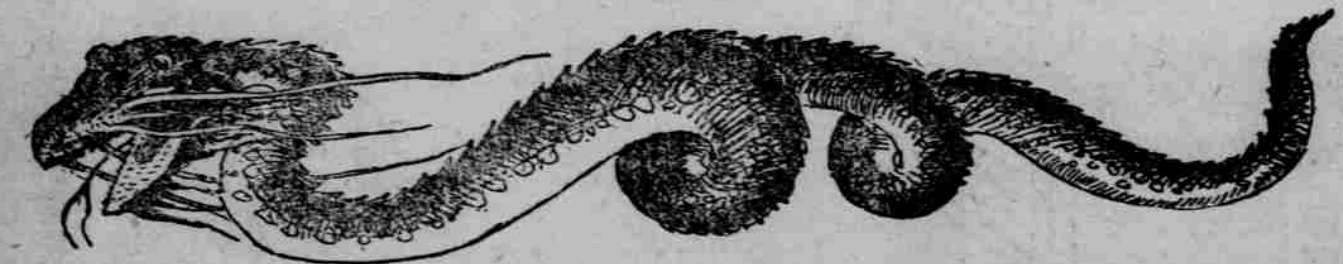
The Heine Monument.
(From a photograph.)
Or shall I rest in the sand of the seashore?
It matters not! Whether here or there, I shall always be encircled by God's heaven, and at night the stars above me will be my funeral lamps.—New York Tribune.

FLORIDA MONSTER SLAIN

An enormous reptile, more like the mythical dragon than a land serpent, has been killed by a hunter in the lower Everglades.

For one hundred years it has not only been a tradition among the Seminole Indians, who inhabited the borders of Lake Okechobee, but it is stated as fact within the knowledge of some of the Indians now living that an immense serpent made its home in the Everglades and has carried off at least two Indians.

Recently, Buster Ferrel, one of the boldest and most noted hunters in



"Dragon of the Everglades," from a sketch by an Indian.

large around as a barrel ten feet farther back.

The snake stopped within easy reach of his gun, and raised its head to take a precautionary view of his surroundings. As it did, Ferrel opened fire on it, shooting at its head. Taken by surprise the serpent dashed into the marsh at railroad speed, while Ferrel kept up fire on it until he had emptied the magazine of his rifle, but failed to stop it.

About four days afterwards he ventured back into the neighborhood to see how things were, and about a mile from where he first saw the snake he saw a large flock of buzzards, and went to see what they were after, and there he found the creature dead and its body so badly torn by the buzzards that it was impossible to save the skin. He, however, secured its head. It is truly a frightful looking object, fully ten inches from jaw to jaw, with ugly, razor-like teeth.

He described the animal as a dark color on the back, with dingy white beneath, and with feelers around its mouth similar to catfish. He has now gone back into the swamp with the intention of securing the skeleton and bringing it back, after which he will send it to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington. Scientists who have investigated the matter are convinced that the animal is not a land serpent.

The latest society fad among the fashionable women in England is that of being photographed as a moving picture.

A YOUNG PRESIDENT.

TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OLD, AND HEAD OF A COLLEGE.

Howard Griffith Colwell is the Youngest Man in Such a High Position in the United States—Has Had Much Success in His Vocation.

Howard Griffith Colwell, a former St. Louisan now in his 28th year, is thought to be the youngest college president in the United States.

At the opening of the collegiate year of 1900-1, this exceptional young man, then but 26 years old, was installed as president of Buchanan College at Troy, Mo., going there from La Grange College at La Grange, Mo., where he had been instructor in ancient languages.

Buchanan College is in Lincoln county, Mo. It is co-educational. The college building overlooks the city of Troy and the Cuivre valley, and is surrounded by eight acres of college ground. The college was built in 1894 by citizens of Troy and Lincoln county, and was opened in September of that year. Because of the devotion of Alexander S. Buchanan and his gifts of money for the establishment of the college, it was named for him.

Professor Colwell was born at Homestead, Pa., July 9, 1874. He attended public schools and a high school in youth, and in 1894 went to William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo., doing in three years the work ordinarily done in four, and matriculating in 1894. In the summer of that year he organized the Elsberry Academy at Elsberry, Mo., a work marked by such excellent results that in his second year he was offered the chair of ancient languages at La Grange College, La Grange, Mo., and accepted, remaining there until called to the presidency of Buchanan.

President Colwell is a son of Rev. J. F. Colwell, who was a Baptist minister and editor in St. Louis from 1888 until 1897, coming to St. Louis in 1888 to edit the American Baptist Flag for three years, and then for two years editing the True American. In 1892 he became city missionary for the Baptist Missionary Board. He organized the Tower Grove Baptist Church, and was pastor there up to the time



of his death in 1897. Howard G. Colwell lived in St. Louis much of the time his father was there, and he was for several years chorister and president of the Young People's Union of the Tower Grove church.

The young president of Buchanan College made his first year the most successful the college has had. He increased the enrollment. He added to the laboratory and library. He fostered athletics. He took off his coat and went out on the field with his boys, and he personally led them into a wholesome athletic activity. The Buchanan football team lost but one game last year and it was scored against in but two other games. President Colwell coached the team himself. He is a man of good fellowship and he has personally brought to Buchanan many young men who would not otherwise have come.

Something New on Jupiter.

The great planet Jupiter has frequent surprises in store for those who watch it closely with telescopes. Its vast belts, composed apparently of clouds, are continually undergoing changes, and occasionally an extraordinary apparition rewards the patient observer and sets him to wondering what is happening on the giant planet. During the past summer a conspicuous dark spot has made its appearance in the southern hemisphere of the planet, and its motions are being studied with much interest by astronomers. Some twelve years ago a similar spot suddenly sprang into view and drifted, with reference to the surrounding surface, very much as the present one is doing. When it passed the celebrated great red spot it seemed to be driven from its course and afterward became strung out in a reddish streak. If the new spot lasts until next July it will also overtake the red spot and may suffer a similar fate. These things are interesting as occurrences on a world nearly 1,400 times larger than ours.

Peat as a Locomotive Fuel.

Pressed and dried peat for locomotive fuel is being experimented with on the Vislanda-Bolmen railway of Sweden.

In a late test, though the engine was built for using coal only, an experimental train of 15 freight and one passenger car made the 22-mile trip ahead of the regular time schedule, arriving at the terminal station 15 minutes in advance of the schedule. A time table for lower speed than the regular train had been arranged

RICHES OF EASTERN RULERS.

Fabulous Stores of Gold and Precious Stones Hoarded for Centuries.

At a time when millions of men are struggling their hardest for the doubtful privilege of keeping themselves alive it seems difficult to realize that jewels and gold, whose value is counted in hundreds of millions of pounds, should be lying hidden in royal houses, untouched and seen only by a privileged and curious few.

Those who have been privileged to gaze on the wonders of the shah's treasure house tell astonishing stories of wealth which is indeed beyond the dreams of avarice, and which might well form a climax to the marvels of the Arabian Nights' tales; of diamonds and rubies, emeralds and sapphires, so countless that they might literally be measured by the peck; of shields, helmets and armor thickly encrusted with priceless gems, and sword scabbards which it pains the eye to look upon, so dazzling are the jewels which sheath them.

One of these scabbards is completely covered with diamonds, the smallest of which is as large as a finger nail. Vessels of solid gold, so large that only a strong man could lift one of them, crowns blazing with every color of the rainbow, chains of gold and rare precious stones, enamels of matchless beauty, lie scattered about in careless profusion; trays are heaped to overflowing with sapphires and pearls, many of which are worth tens of thousands of pounds.

A glass case, two feet long and a foot and a half in width and height, is more than half filled with thousands of pearls perfect in shape and luster. By its side is a globe of gold, twenty inches in diameter, with seas of emeralds and continents of diamonds and rubies to the number of 50,000, and each stone specially chosen for its purity and beauty. The weight of this globe is 3½ cwt., and its value £1,000,000 sterling.

Among the countless treasures of the shah are a flawless uncut ruby said to be as large as a hen's egg and of a value which no one has ventured to estimate; a turquoise as long as a man's finger, and a belt a foot wide which is so closely set with many-hued precious stones that it is one unbroken blaze of diamonds and emeralds, pearls and rubies.

Of all the native princes of India the Gaekwar of Baroda is the richest in gold and jewels, a mere catalogue of which would fill some of the world's richest millionaires with despair. One of his most interesting, though by no means most valuable possessions, is a carpet, 10 feet long and 6 feet in width, composed entirely of a ground-work of exquisite pearls on which is traced a design in diamonds. This carpet, which certainly has no equal in the world, is said to be worth £200,000, or £5,000 a square foot.

Of much greater value than this carpet of gems is a matchless collar, consisting of five rows of diamonds and two of emeralds, the stones being of graduated sizes from that of a walnut to the size of a pea; from this collar of 700 of the most perfect stones in existence hangs as a pendant the famous "Star of the South" diamond, one of the most magnificent diamonds the world has ever seen.

The Sultan's Astrologer.

The sultan of Turkey's Imperial astrologer, a Greek named Kumbaris, is a worthy representative of the prevalent blend of superstition and abysmal ignorance which characterizes Abdul Hamid's court. This worthy had on one occasion the brilliant idea of erecting a modern astronomical observatory in Yildiz Kiosk. When the work was finished and the instruments in place he found he could neither work nor understand them, and consequently a professional astronomer had to be summoned from Naples.

This, however, did not diminish the influence of Kumbaris, who succeeded in preventing the distribution of Mauser rifles among the imperial troops in Constantinople in 1895 at the first news of Armenian disturbances by the sage reminder that the previous change in the succession took place immediately after a distribution of new guns. The sincerity of this wonderful piece of advice cannot be doubted, as the self-sacrificing genius who offered it to his worthy master rose from his sick bed to do so.

Musical Chimpanzees.

Writing in the London Graphic, Sir Harry Johnston, K. C. B., has much to say about strange monkeys, chimpanzees and baboons found by him in the Uganda Protectorate. His special pet is Miss Eleanor Maltravers. Eleanor is almost human. The natives told the explorer a great deal about the chimpanzee's habits, such as its building "houses" (shelters) in the trees. They said that it is the male chimpanzee's habit to sleep with his back to the tree trunk. The natives of Toro repeat the assertions of Emin Pasha to the effect that the chimpanzees are rather fond of beating with their hands hollow tree trunks which they find in the forest, and of shouting in accompaniment to this primitive music. The chimpanzees are certainly very noisy when they believe themselves to be unobserved.

End of Strange Romance.

The marriage of John M. Currier of Valparaiso, Ind., and Mrs. Laura M. Morse of Chicago was the final act in an unusual romance. The groom is an old and prominent resident of that city. He was divorced from his bride more than forty years ago. He is 79 years old and she is 72. Both have grown children from marriages subsequent to their separation.

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